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Applicant: KNUDSON ET AL. Examiner: Getzow, Scott
Serial No.: 10/665,746 Group Art Unit: 3762
Filed: SEPTEMBER 19, 2003 Docket No.: 13033.2USC1
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TREATMENT

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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

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reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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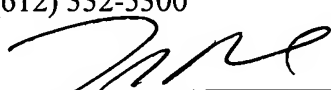
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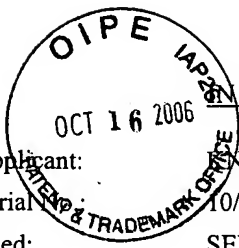
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- ☒ Transmittal Sheet in duplicate containing Certificate of Mailing
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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	WO 2005/082452 A1	09/25/2005	PCT				
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